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PATENT APPLICATION

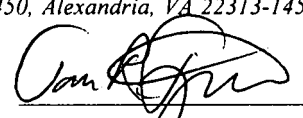
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Richard I. Masel et al.  
Serial No.: 10/817,361  
Conf. No.: 2569  
Filed: April 2, 2004  
For: PALLADIUM-BASED  
ELECTROCATALYSTS AND FUEL  
CELLS EMPLOYING SUCH  
ELECTROCATALYSTS  
Art Unit: 1745  
Examiner: Willis, Monique M.

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July 30, 2007

Date

  
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TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

- (X) Enclosed is an Election of Species.
- ( ) Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate), with check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- (X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

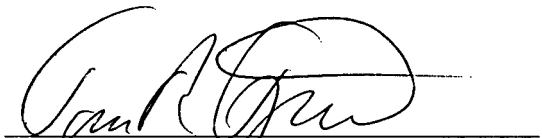
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### ELECTION OF SPECIES

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

The Election of Species Requirement mailed on June 28, 2007 identifies three allegedly distinct species: porous silicon, ruthenium oxide, and acid electrolytes. Applicant elects the acid electrolytes species. This election is made with traverse, the grounds of which are set forth below.